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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: TAILLON, et al. Docket No.: 0214,007C

Serial No.: 10/762,187 Group Art Unit: 2839

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Title: TWO PIECE ELECTRICAL AND FLUIDIC CONNECTOR

AND INSTALLATION METHOD THEREFORE

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To: Examiner Chandrika Prasad Group Art Unit 2839 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response to Advisory Action Dated May 19, 2008

Dear Sir:

This paper, and accompanying new Reissue Application Declaration by the Assignee, are being filed after a telephone conference with Examiner Edward Westin, who was referred to by Examiner Prasad of the above-referenced application, in response to an Advisory Action dated May 19, 2008 issued by Examiner Prasad. Applicants' counsel wishes to express thanks for the courtesy of Examiner Westin during the telephone conference on June 10, 2008 in clarifying the final rejection noted in the Advisory Action dated May 19, 2008, in which all

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of the claims were rejected because it was defective, without any explanation of why it was defective. Withdrawal of the rejection to the claims and allowance of this reissue application is respectfully requested.

Response

The Advisory Action dated May 19, 2008 rejects all of the claims, namely claims 2-4, 9-16, 19 and 21-26. However, the Advisory Action failed to indicate why these claims were rejected, after all the claims were indicated to be allowed based on a prior telephone conference with Examiner Prasad prior to the filing of Amendment and Resopnse on March 18, 2008. Instead, the Advisory Action only states that the reissue application is defective and "does not provide such a basis for a reissue."

During the telephone conference with Examiner Westin on June 10, 2008, Examiner Westin explained that the Patent Office considers the Supplemental Reissue Application Declaration submitted on August 21, 2007 in response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2007 to be improper and requires a new Reissue Declaration be submitted that included all of the statements in the initial and supplemental declarations. This was the first indication that the Patent Office rejected the Supplemental Reissue Application Declaration. In fact, the Patent Office issued two additional Office Actions and the Advisory Action without any indication that it considered the Supplemental Reissue Application Declaration to be improper or defective. Moreover, the Patent Office never issued a final Office Action on this issue.

Applicants respectfully submit herewith a new Reissue Application Declaration by

Assignee that combines the statements in the initial and supplemental declarations previously
submitted and addresses the concerns of the Patent Office first brought to undersigned
counsel's attention on June 10, 2008 by Examiner Westin. Accordingly, Applicants

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respectfully submit that the reissue application is no longer defective, and respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection of the claims and allowance of this reissue application.

Since the Patent Office never indicated prior to the telephone conference with Examiner Westin that it considered the Supplemental Reissue Application Declaration to be defective, no fee is believed to be due. Should the Patent Office believe a fee to be due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1935.

If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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